# FIGHT IS NOW ON

SOCIALISTS MAKE A DESPERATE STAND IN FEDERATION.

VOTE WILL BE TAKEN TO-DAY

ANTIS EXPECT TO WIN BY A VOTE OF 4 TO 1.

P. J. McGuire Presents the Administration Side and James F. Cary Pleads in Behalf of the Socinlists-Demands of

Factions.

The socialistic movement in the American Federation of Labor convention reached its climax, yesterday, when James F. Cary the eloquent young shoemaker from Haver hill, Mass., faced the delegates and pleaded with them to declare for the co-oper ative commonwealth. Men listened to his fervid words and cheered his full rounded periods. Then, when his flights were exnausted and after Max Hayes and Isaac lowan had reinforced him, P. J. McGuire entered the forum to present the attitude of the administration. His indictment of the policy of introducing partisanship into the federation voiced the sentiment of the convention. To-day the vote on the several propositions of the socialists will be



JAMES F. CAREY.

taken, and socialism in the American Federation of Labor will, according to the belief of the antis, go down to defeat. a conservative estimate of the vote give the socialists 500 and the anti-socialists While the federation will still adhere to

its policy of excluding polities from the convention, the socialists are jubilant over the unchallenged statement made by John F. Tobin on the floor of the convention yesterday that President Gompers had in-formed him of his intention to vote the Socialist Democratic ticket. Coming from Tobin, who was recently mentioned as a socialist candidate against Gompers, there deep significance in this statement. It is considered by the socialists a concession. as is also the resolution reported by the committee on laws. The socialists will claim a decided victory if it prove true that President Gompers contemplates attaching himself to the Social Democracy. His pro-nouncement on this subject in his reply to the socialists to-day will be awaited with interest. If Tobin's statement is left unanswered, the socialists will claim Gompers as an adherent.

#### Lennon Sprung the Question.

The question of socialism was precipitated unexpectedly upon the convention, when John B. Lennon arose the first thing yesterday afternoon and announced that the committee on laws was ready to report. The delegates knew then what was coming, for to that committee had been entrusted five socialistic resolutions—one from the Cieveland Central Union, proposting that the constitution be amended so as to admit of political discussion in the federation conventions; another from the same union indorsing the Socialist Laor party; one from the Bakers' and Confectioners' International Union, favoring ndependent political action on a purely laher platform; one from Delegates Charles F. Bechtold and Julius Zorn, of the brewers, recommending that the members of the federation ally themselves with the Social Democratic party; and one from Delegate Schmalz, reciting the declaration of independence and severing all connection between members of the federation, on the one hand, and the Democratic and the

#### Republican parties on the other. Substitute for Socialist Demands.

Each one of these resolutions Treasurer Lennon read, and at the conclusion of each he said: "Your committee reports ad versely." When he had repeated this formula five times be said: "In lieu of these five resolutions the committee pre-sents a substitute." The closest attention was paid to Chairman Lennon, while be

We heartly recommend the cordial acceptance of all assistance that may be given the trade union movement by all reform forces, the socialistic political parties included. The hope and aspiration of the trade union is closely akin to that expressed by the socialist. That the burof toil may be made lighter, that men shall possess larger liberty, that the

dens of toil may be made lighter, that men shall possess larger liberty, that the future shall be better than the past, may probably be the ideals of those of all movements who really desire labor emancipation. We appreciate, however, that men, because of different environment through life, must of necessity reach different conclusions, if not as to the end to be attained, certainly as to the roads to be traveled, the goal desired. We affirm the trade union movement to be the legitimate channel through which the wage earner of America should secure present and future emancipation.

"We hold that the trades unions of America, as comprised in the American Pederation of Labor, do not now and never have declared against the discussion of economic and political questions in the meetings of their respective unions. We are committed against the discussion of or the introduction of partisan, political or religious differences or race prejudices. We hold it to be the duty of trade unions to study and discuss all questions that have any bearing upon industrial or political liberty, but we declare that it is not within the province of the American Federation of Labor to designate to which political party a member shall belong or for which political party he shall vote."

Action Had Been Anticipated.

# The action of the committee on laws had

been anticipated by the socialists. A complete programme for just such an occasion had been mapped out. As soon as the applause which greeted the reading of the substitute had subsided, James F. Cary, representative-elect to the Massachuetts legislature, claimed the floor. Mr. Cary has a smooth and medest way about making his points which takes well with the convention. He differs from the advocates of the social labor party. Isaac Cowan, a long-whiskered, spectacled socialist, of the historic type, wears a chip on his shoulder at all times. In broad English style, he lets his sentiments be known, swinging his arms in the meantime, and caring naught for the reception of his castigations. Max Mayes is a milder prototype. He has learned some diplomacy, but when ae warms to his subject, his utterances are bitter. Quite the opposite is Cary. He wears the smile of the philosopher, willing to hide his time until his opinions shall be the opinions of the world. His connected that such a time is coming seems unshable. When not on the floor, he sits calmly smoking a clay pipe during the sessions of the convention. The intervals between the resolution of McGuire's speech. At the conclusion of McGuire's speech, but to antagonize. When speaking he bebeen anticipated by the socialists. A com-

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omes impassioned and wins the delegates y his earnestness and magnetism, but uch is his equipoise of mind that nothing a his utterance gives offense.

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Mr. Cary Represents Socialists. Cary arose to a question of parliamentary nquiry. He asked President Gompers if it yould be in order to move a substitute res-lution for that proposed by the commit-se. The president ruled that such a mo-ion would not be in order. tee. The president ruled that such a motion would not be in order.

"Why don't you move your motion?" demanded W. D. Mahon, a muscular, bighearted delegate from Detroit, who believes in striking from the shoulder. "Make your motion and then it will be before the convention. Don't ask the advice of the president about it. You're too modest altogether."

But Mr. Cary did not Insist. "I do no But Mr. Cary did not insist. "I do not care to obscure the socialist issue." he said, "by a parliamentary entanglement." John F. Tobin then introduced as an amendment the resolution which the social Democrats had agreed upon at their caucus Wednesday night in the Morgan house. It was the same as the one which Cary had wished to offer as a substitute, and is a copy of a resolution adopted by the British Trade Congress at its last meeting. Here is the resolution:
"Resolved That this convention, believing that the labor problem will be solved only when the lands and means of production and distribution and exchange are held as

distribution and exchange are held mon property, and that the trad n movement together with political a on on class lines are the best metho reach this end, we therefore commen

to reach this end, we therefore commend trades unionists to vote only for such political parties as stand for the principles enunciated herein."

The reading of the resolution was warmly applauded, many in the gallery joining in the applause. President Gompers rapped sharply with his gavel. "The spectators are here by courtesy," he said. "If they insist upon taking part in these proceedings, I will be compelled to clear the gallery."

Isaac Cowen, in an inflammatory speech, denounced the classes and lauded the masses. Eugene O'Rourke, of New York, followed in a similar strain. "When the toiling masses begin to think," he said, "then will come trouble for those who make them slaves."

Cary Has His Say.

#### Cary Has His Say,

James F. Cary then arose for his greatest ffort. He began by slowly stating that effort. He began by slowly stating that he came from a small town in Massachusetts, which had declared at the last election for collective ownership of all the means of production. He reviewed at length the strides which had shaken the shoemaking town of Haverbill to the deep foundations, until, falling in their efforts, the workingmen had become mere tools in the hands of the capitalistic class.

"But the instant the news came that the Social Democratic party had elected two men to the legislature," rang out Cary's voice, "these downtrodden laborers doffed the ways of servile curs and held up their heads like men. (Applause.) This is the dignity the ballot gave to them. This is what the discussion of socialism brought to the shoemakers of Haverbill. A man who had been discharged from the shoe industry because of his loyalty to the workingman was elected mayor of the city. Unless we had brought to these people the light of the knowledge of a better day comply and a new faith, the laborers of Haverbill would have gone on like dogs under the yoke. But now, with the accomplishment of the socialist propaganda, they see the means of emacutation. ie came from a small town in Massachue yoke. But now, with the accompanient of the socialist propaganda, they see ment of the socialist propaganda, they see the means of emancipation.

"I am a member of the Social Democratic party. I do not ask you to indorse it or any other party. But I do want you to pronounce for the principle of collective ownership of the means of production—the only salvation for men who are now competing with machines. This, in ray judgment, is the solution of the problem now confronting the working people of America. I appeal to you in the name of the people of Haverhill, in the name of the victories they have won. Let me go back to them and tell them to be of good courage, to go on with the light—onward brother, to the solution of our perplexing problems, out of the gloom which now envelopes laber, onward into the bright sunlight of the co-operative commonwealth."

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Max Hayes Makes a Speech. Max Hayes, the father of the Cleveland occlalist pronunciamento, followed Mr. Cary. He pointed out that 61 per cent socialist pronunciamento, followed Mr. Cary, He pointed out that 61 per cent of the people of the United States are wage-eathers and declared that in their hands rests the political policy of the nation. In his opinion the trade union movement was at a deplorable standstill. "Why?" he asked. "Because the introduction of labor-saving machines has given to the trusts control of the means of production. Skilled mechanics are now become mere machine tenders. The tools of production have developed out of the hands of the workers who have become serfs. Doesn't it seem strange that we as wage-earners should attempt to dictate to such mighty powers? In place of skilled labor, the trusts are employing child labor to operate machines. In 1880 only about 40,000 women and children were employed as wage-earners in this country. In 1890, 3,000,000 women and children were employed as wage-earners in this country. In 1890, 3,000,000 women and children were employed as well as the price paid for commodities. One by one the trusts are centering into the control of one or two men. And now it is the whisky trust which has fallen into the hands of John D. Rockefeller, the Sunday school teacher of Cleveland. O. Oh, my fellow laborers, trusts and the dimmible injunction are enslaving us. We become discouraged, and we rant a little bit, perhaps, and call names. But I am here to plead with you to take some decisive step to put new life into our movement, to plead with you to take some decisive step to put new life into our movement, to plead with you to unite against the oppressive capitalistic class."

The delegates had become somewhat wearled by this time and when P. J. MeGuire of Philadelphia, litst vice president of the federation, took the floor, they welcomed the awakening which was promised. Mr. McGuire is general secretary of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters, and is considered. comed the awakening which was promised.
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personally very popular and is considered
one of the strongest men in the federation.

'All the indictments made here by Dele-"All the indictments made here by Deleggates Cary and Hayes against the revolutionizing influences of machinery, the influence of trusts, the misuse of injunctions and military power, have again and again been indersed by all trade unionists, but the difference between us is one as to practise and methods.

"It is said the trades union movement is singuant, that wages have been reduced and no progress has been made for years back. In 1878 we had only nine national unions; now we have sixty-eight. There are a score of delegates on this floor who can testify to the fact that wages have advanced in the past ten years and the hours of labor in many of the trades have been reduced.

socialism. John B. Lennon scoke for the committee report. He said that the journeymen tailors were receiving the highest wares ever paid.

W. J. Blair, of Hutchinson, denounced the political trickery the Socialist-Labor party had resorted to in Kansas. Joseph J. Cahill, of Chicago, also spoke for the committee's report.

Although the convention is proceeding very slowly with its business, an effort will be made to rush matters, after the socialist light is disposed of to-day. In that case the election of officers will be reached Monday and an adjournment will be be had Monday night. If their resolution dies in the crush of many votes to-day, the spirit of fight will be taken out of the socialists, Even vesterday it was apparent that the socialists had laid to rest their tight on Gompers. Aside from rumors of fighting propensities which flew thick to herald the atrival of Isaac Cowen and Max Hayes there had never been much real talk of an election contest in the federation until the arrival Tuesday of Victor L. Berger and Seymour Stedman, national committeemen for the Social Democracy. They brought a well inflated boom with them for any socialist who would consent to the peril of a nomination. The boom was kicked about in the hotel corridors until it lost much of its ascending powers. Nobody was found who wanted to run against Gompers. One after the other, Tobin, Prescott, Lloyd and Mahon declined, And then Committeemen Berger and Stedman paid their bill at the Morgan house. They took the boom back with them to Chicago in a hand satched. The Social Democrats immediately became outspoken for Gompers. Social Democrats immediately occanic osc spoken for Gompers.

In spite of all this, there will probably be one vote east against Samuel Gompers The opposition of Isaac Cowen is intense by bitter.

bitter. I never lie down," he said, yesterday will vote against Gompers if there i

Painters' Old Dispute. The ancient dispute between the rival factions of the painters and decorators, which had been considered by five conventions, but had remained unsettled, was threshed over again for three tedious hours yesterday morning. What is known as the Baltimore, or Elliott faction, of which John H. Sullivan is president, is now recognized by the federation, it having agreed to conform to a basis for consolidation proposed by the executive council a year ago. The Lafayette, or Barrett faction, which is numerically far in excess of the Baltimore faction, appealed to the federation for recognition, and Mr. Barrett, secretary of the originization, was given the floor to present his case. When he had concluded, he was subjected to a severe cross-questioning by President Gompers, who forced him. The ancient dispute between the rival sent his case. When he had concluded, he was subjected to a severe cross-questioning by President Gompers, who forced him to admit that he had refused to able by the agreement proposed by the executive council. He was excused, and the convention adopted unanimously a resolution recognizing the Bultimore faction as the national organization, and the one affiliated with the federation.

The Kansas City union of painters and decorators is now allied with the Burrett faction and is represented in the Building Trades' Council. It is rumored that the Kansas City union will soon leave the Barrett faction and join issues with the Baltimore cult, thus coming into the federation.

#### CARROLL FOR PRESIDENT. Kansas City Got but One Minor Office at the Building Trades Council Election Vesterday.

President-Edward Carroll, Chicago, First vice president-John P. Healy, Washington, D. C. Second vice president—J. B. O'Malley, East St. Louis, Ill. Third vice president—J. F. Harvey, Mil-waukee, Wis vice president-W. G. Higgins, Fifth vice president-A. A. Lisiecki, Kan-Sixth vice president-John Mangan, Chi-Secretary-treasurer-H, W. Steinbiss, St.

Kansas City secured but one office from the National Building Trades' Council at the annual election before the adjournment yesterday afternoon. A. A. Lislecki was chosen fifth vice president of the order. chosen lifth vice president of the order. Ed Carroll, of Chlengo, was elected president for the ensuing year. Mr. Carroll was chosen to the presidency hist year, but as the Chlengo council was not a member of the national order the office was declared vacant after he had served a few months and Theodore S. Jones, of this city, succeeded to the place.

Two Kansas Cityans were voted for in the contest over the fifth vice presidency, which A. A. Lisiecki won. The successful aspirant received 65 votes to 55 for La K. Baidwin. Milwankee was unanimously chosen as the place for the next convention and the second Monday in December, 1899, set as the date.

A motion was adopted indorsing the American Federation of Musicians. It was decided to organize the trades in small cities where no councils affiliated with the mational organization are now in existence.

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Mayor Jones, who made a hit with the delegates in his address of welcome at the opening session and again on Thursday when he passed the blue label cigars, was elected to honorary membership.

A vote of thanks was extended to all of the outgoing officers, to the Kansos City newspapers, the local building trades councils and to all citizens who had a part in making the convention a success and the visit of the delegates in this city agreeable.

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The installation of the new officers was the last exercise of the day and the second annual convention adjourned sine die at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

#### Annual Banquet Held.

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The most enjoyable session held by the delegates to the National Building Trades' Council convention took place last night after the najournment of the last business meeting. The members of the Kansas City council neted as hosts at a banquet which was spread at Scharnagel's and for three hours the guests enjoyed the goods things some of which were and others were not "made in Kansas City, U. S. A." France was represented on the menu.

The room was prettily descrated for the occasion with palms and cut flowers, and flags and banners. After the last course had been served came a flow of oratory through furnes of "blue label" smokers. The outgoing president, Theodore S. Jones, acted as toustmaster, with his successor, Edward Carroll, occupying the place of honor, John P. Healy, responded to the first toast and spoke so pathetically of the approaching leavetaking of Kansas City that "Brother" Cowan was moved to bitter tears.

The affair was entirely informal and everybody good naturedly wielded a ham-mer over the head of everybody else. The programme included a contribution of some kind by each of the guests and those who

#### had nothing to say sang songs. It was a very enjoyable occasion. CAPTAIN RAGAN'S SECRET.

He Promises to Let the Cat Out of the Bag at a Future ex-Confederate Meeting.

Owing to some misunderstanding, due serbaps, to the fact that there are five Fridays instead of four in December, the meeting of camp No 80, of the United Condeferate Veterans last night, was poorly deterate veterans tast night, was poorly attended and no regular session was held. The few who remembered to come to the hall put in a pleasant hour chatting and adjourned with the hope of having a full meeting the first Friday in January. meeting the list Frealy in January.

As an attraction for some future meeting, Captain Ragan is thinking of making public a criminal secret which he has carried since his boyhood, and now that all parties concerned but himself are dead, he feels at liberty to teil it.

Harmony Chapter's New Officers. Harmony chapter, No. 142 of the Eastern Star, has elected the following officers, for

Star, has elected the following officers, for the year 189;
Mrs. C. E. Glaspell, worthy matron: F. R. Robinson, worthy jatron: Mrs. Char-lotte Conroy, associate matron: Mrs. F. S. Diese, secretary, Mrs. Jacob Habel, treas-turer Mrs. Fred E. Lee, conductress; Miss Martha McVey, associate conductress. Orient Chapter Officers.

Orient chapter, No. 102, Royal Arch Masons, has elected the following officers Masons, has elected the following officers for the ensuing year:

J. C. Yocum, excellent high priest; Joseph S. Wood, king; G. A. Muburn, scribe; J. P. Dew, C. of H. E. Morris, P. S. S. M. Hocker, R. A. C. V. F. Boor, treasurer; James H. Frame, secretary.

New Pythian Lodge. Fifteen members of Sicilian lodge, No. 20, Knights of Fythias, will leave Kansas city at 7.20 this morning for Rochester, Mo., where they will organize a Knights of Fythias lodge.

CASTORIA The Kind You Have Always Bought Bears the Signature of Chart Hillithing

REAL ESTATE MEN SAY IT'S A GOOD PLACE TO LIVE IN.

WILL HOLD REGULAR MEETINGS

FIRST MEETING IN NINE MONTHS HELD LAST NIGHT.

1. A. Whipple Gives Some Interesting Statistics Regarding the Growth of the City and Its Prospects for the Future-Business Transacted.

For the first time in nine months the nembers of the Kansas City Real Estate exchange sat down to a monthly dinner at he Midland hotel last night. Henceforth the meetings will be regular, the heat to be held about the middle of January, Short addresses were made by C. Finley, on "Home Building:" J. C. Tate on "Landlords and Tenants," and A. A. Whipple, on "The Present and Future Greatness of Kansas City."

After reviewing briefly the chief acquisitions of the city within the past ten years, Mr. Whipple said: "During the past ten years, while the real state agent has been stocking up on this ommodity, the city business interests have

nereased wonderfully. increased wonderfully.

"During the past decade, with the financial conditions decidedly against it, five new railroads and several extensions have been adding 4,000 miles to our railroad trackage and much more to our tributary territory. A new scaport directly South of us has been established. Every road in the West and Southwest has now become a Kansas City road, and these roads, with all future extensions, will henceforth pay tribute to the business of this city. "Control of the water works has been

ecured, a vast amount of street work has been done, an extensive park and boulevard system has been started. The value of live stock received during this time has increased from \$42,000,000 to \$111,000,000 per annum. Packing has doubled. Eleator capacity has been multiplied by ten Milling capacity has increased from 2,500 to 7,500 barrels per day, not to include the Kelley mill now building. Wholesale dry oods increased from \$2,500,000 to \$10,000,000 per annum. The increase in other wholesale lines has been very marked. "Factories have grown in number from ss than 199 to over 400. Our clearings,

lthough reduced over one-third by the though reduced over one-third by the insolidation of banks, are greater than ose of fourteen cities of this country ith a larger population. Our rightful place is immediately folwing St. Louis, above San Francisco, slimore and Pittsburg. If this remarkable growth has been ade under untavorable conditions, what any be extrected under favorable conditions what under unfavorable conditions, what be expected under favorable condiis during the next decade? Two important factors in the growth of les are low freight rates and cheap wer. Within the time mentioned four five large systems of railroad from the rih and East may be forced to extend

"Poes anyone doubt that the incoming of the Minneapolis & St. Louis and the Chicago & Northwestern from Des Moines; the Illinois Central and Baltimore & Ohio from Quincy will make Kansas City a basing point on freight from the East? "With coal mines on all sides of us, is there anything to prevent electric power being furnished here at \$50 per horse powering furnished here at \$50 per horse powers per aunum, as it is in Buffale? "By making Kansas City a "good place to live in;" by getting favorable conditions for the merchant and manufacturer in addition to the advantages already possessed it seems to me that the next decade ought to be prolific in results—that the agents ought to be able to unload their surplus experience at good round figures, and I predict that the meeting to be held here ten vests from to-night will contain many millonaires from among those now present." Becausians Adonted. Does anyone doubt that the incoming

Resolutions Adonted.

Two resolutions recently adopted by the Real Estate exchange of St. Louis were idented. One was that immediate sten taken to secure a revision of the pres-t cumbersome laws governing the col-cilion of rents and of all laws affecting e sale, incumbering and renting of real other was that the legislature be

The other was that the legislature be urged to appropriate money to secure the world's fair of 1992, in commemoration of the Louislana purchase, for St. Louis.

The Torrens system of recording land lites was heartily indorsed, and the action of the Commercial Club in having a bill prepared for introduction in the legislature approved.

Those present last night were:

V. F. Boor, president,
A. A. Whipple, C. E. Finlay,
W. S. Woods, E. H. Phelns,
R. E. Shryock, Mr. Chadwick,
I. C. Tate, G. F. Winter,
D. M. Goodrich, E. P. Sexton,
W. E. Lyons, Mr. Martin,
George Hoffman, R. L. Winter,
H. F. McEiroy, J. C. Tate, D. M. Goodrich, W. E. Lyons, George Hoffman, H. F. McEiroy,

#### EXPECTS MRS. HOLT TO WIN.

Judge Gates Will Grant Her a Decree if the Matter of Legal Residence is Established.

It is expected by Mrs. Zoe Halbert Holt's attorney that a decree will be rendered by Judge Gates to-day divorcing her from Chrence Edwin Holt, the actor. At the conclusion of the recent trial Judge Gates intimated that he had no doubt Mrs. Holt was entitled to a decree, but deferred granting it until he should settle some doubt he had concerning her legal residence in Kansas City. Should her residence be

doubt he had concerning acr legal residence in Kansas City. Should her residence be shown to be established the decree will be delayed no longer.

It was argued on the point of residence that a woman's domicile follows that of her husband, and the home of Mr. Holt has not been shown to be in Missouri.

"If any of the offenses chargen were committed by Mr. Holt after Mrs. Holt returned to Missouri." said Attorney Lorie, who represents Mrs. Holt, "then Mrs. Holt does not need to have lived in the state a year. We can show that Holt married Edna Brothers at New Orleans while Mrs. Holt was living at Kansas City, and that in itself is sufficient to settle the question of residence, I think."

#### ATTRACTING RECRUITS.

Illustrated Lectures on the Delights of Life in the Naval Service.

The English have always been enterprisng in their methods of recruiting, and keep themselves up to date, Captain Eardley Wilmot, of the British navy, is giving lectures on the development of that giving lectures on the development of that service. They are popular lectures, illustrated with lantern slides, and the object evidently is to present the navy to the public in an attractive and honorable light. In his lecture Captain Wilmot dealt with the seamen and marines, explaining their duties and manner of living on board ship. Together these two lectures have been a great success. A slinilar course would be valuable in this country, says the Army and Navy Journal. When recruits are wanted in the navy the government could well afford to try this system as a method of recruiting. Much could be done with lantern lectures, and if the vitascope were used there would be no doubt of the extreme popularity of the measure. the measure.

#### ANNUAL 'POSSUM DINNER.

Uncle Jeff" Will Serve It to His White Friends Next Tuesday at Ninth and Broadway.

"Uncle Jeff," formerly a well known haracter about the court house, will serve Ninth and Broadway next Tuesday evening. Jefferson is one of the best known colored men in town. Among his friends are Judge John W. Henry, Judge Jackson L. Smith and ex-Governor Crittenden, who rarely fail to attend the yearly feasts.

The Chicago Great Western Rallway Sells Homeseekers' Excursion tickets on the first and third Tuesday of each month to points North and West at very low rates.

## COMEDY AT THE CENTRAL.

Four Societies Unite in Production Friday Night Next of "The Ulster."

"The Ulster," a farcical comedy in three acts, by Sidney Rosenfeld, will be produced by the united efforts of the four societies of the Central high school next Friday evening. The play will be given in the high school assembly room and the proceeds are to be used to finish paying for the plane. Tickets at 25 and 25 cents will be placed on sile at Cady & Olmstead's Monday morning. Following is the cost.

Mr. Valentine Flipper, a retired merchant, with a second wife and a subtle secret ......... Heroid Kuhn
Hay Morril
C Lester Hall, 5
Frank Mulfor Snorter, the cabman Russell Bartlet John, a footman retained Pred Lee Mike, a servant discharged Roy Harrison Black Lawyer's clerk. Gene Smith Mrs. Flipper, aged 20, left an orphan at 15. Sadie, Flipper's niece.

#### COTTON WAS NO EVIL. o the Judges in the Debate Between Whittier and Jefferson Schools

Decided.

A spirited debate was held vesterday afernoon at the Whittier school between the eventh grade puipls of this school and those of the Jefferson. The question debated was:

"Resolved, That the introduction and production of cotton in the United States resulted in positive evil."

The affirmative side was argued by Mabel Conger, Carrie Sternberg and Norah Sullivan, of the Jefferson school, and Susle Knox, Mabel Elledge, Mabel Ridgway and Margaret Jones, of the Whittier. The negative side was upheld by Hope Storner, Robert Dorman and Julia Waring, of the Jefferson school, and Jeste Butts, Fleda Greene, Maud Miller and John Gage, of the Whittier.

The judges decided in favor of the negative, The exercises were presided over by the temporary chairman, William Urie, who gave way later to Everett Goodloe.

The seventh grade pupils at the Jefferson school, accompanied by their teacher, Miss Behan, and Miss Irene E. Gilbert, principal of the school, went in a body to the Whittier school. There were a number of other visitors present at the exercises. se of the Jefferson. The question deof other visitors present at the exercises.

#### Manual's Programme.

The following programme will be given in the assembly hall this afternoon by the music pupils of the Manual Training high school, under charge of Miss Olive B. Wilson. About 150 voices make up the chorus.

(a) "Sing to Me Ever" (V. Cisillo). (b) "Fairy Song," arranged from "Midminner Night's Dream" (Agnes Zimnerman), chorus. ng," arranged from "Midnummer Night's Dream" gnes Zimmerman), chorus. "The Image of the Rose" (Reichardt), Miss Sarnh "Night's Shade No Lenger," arranged from Ros-'s 'Moses in Egypt,' sopranos. Over the Wave We Float' (Stephen Glover), so pranos and altos.

"Lo, Morn Is Breaking" (Cherubin), sopranos.
"Oh, Come, Let Us Worship" (Himmel), chorus.

Ave Marie (Abt), Misses Higgins, Barton, Purnell,
Squier, Steearod, Shook and Rogers,
Jubilee march, (C. Borelli), M. T. H. S. orchestra,
"Father, Whose Power Eternal" (Donizetti), Miss
Wilson

Wilson. Hymn, "The Shepherd's Nativity" (Gounnd), cho-

Manual Training at Greenwood Club Manual Training at Greenwood Club.

The members of the Greenwood Club last night listened to a paper upon the "Significance of the Manual Training School," by F. D. Tharpe, principal of the Lathrop school. Mr. Tharpe gave a brief sketch of the origin and progress of the manual training movement and enumerated a number of the large cities of the country in which manual training is a part not only of the high schools, but of the ward schools as well. "Manual training is an American idea," he said, "and it has made its greatest progress in the high schools of Eastern cities—notably in those of New Jersey and Massachusetts."

#### School Notes.

Miss Helen Hendrix has just been installed as president of the Philomathean Society, of the Central high school. Society, of the Central fight school.

The committee on by-laws of the Central High School Athletic Association is busily engaged in framing the new constitution.

There is a large flourishing kindergarten of lifty-one pupils at the Bryant school under the charge of Grace Reynolds and Buth Kennedy. Buth Kennedy. The substitute teachers yesterday were Alma Endrum and Pearl Lenhart, who taught respectively at the Franklin and Emerson schools

The Central High School Society of Literature and History will spend a social evening December 27 at the home of Mr. Copley, on East Independence avenue. The cadet band, of the Central high school, of which Albert Thacher is the director, is practicing daily for the concert o be given shortly after the holidays. The Oakley school is planning to have shotographic groups of its graduating lasses framed and hung upon its walls, t has those of the last two classes alleady.

Monday morning's programme at the Manual Training high school will be a musical one, contributed by Lynette Cale, Martha Fontaine, Genevieve Stebbins, Scott Powell and B. F. Foster. Miss Ella M. Phillips, of the Bryant school, spent last summer at the Chicago miversity in doing special work in En-lish. Miss Phillips, lifth grade literature lass is at present reaping benefit from hat work.

Miss Flora Gay's fourth grade room at the Oakley school has hanging upon its walls the yard of heroes that was sent to the school from the public library. The picture is given to the class that does the est marching.

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The following, who graduated from the Central high school last spring, and have been away at college this winter, will be at home for the holidays: D. L. James, Mabrey Mellier, Kersey Reed, Virgie Hubbell, Ona Winants and Virginia Moore. At a recent adding contest at the Oak-ley school. Earle Bozzelle and DeForest Brooks, each 8 years old, added a column of twenty-three figures in twenty seconds. The prize was won, however, by Harry Bozzelle, who did the work in eighteen seconds.

The Christmas edition of the Central

The Christmas edition of the Central High School Luminary will be issued next Thursday. The young editors have taken considerable pains to make this number especially good. The magazine contains four short stories, humorous sketches and poems, and an article contributed by a pupil at Harvard university.

The children of the primary grades of most of the city schools are very busy writing letters to Santa Claus. One littigirl, who had been urged to get her lessons in order that Santa Claus might visit her upon Christmas, remarked recently, after a particularly good recitation: Well, now I guess I'll get that doll for Christmas."

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The pupils of the fifth, sixth and seventh grades at the Adams school are learning something of art from photographic copies of good paintings. Among their equipment at present are Raphael's "Sistine Madonna," Le Brun's "Mother and Chiid" and Hoffman's "Head of the Boy Christ." The pupils will be required next week to write compositions upon these painters and their works. works.

The Bryant school is one of the largest and best arranged in the city. The main part of the building is about fifteen years old, and the last alterations were made three years ago. Its convenience is due largely to the number of entrances which enable all the ranks to move out at one time. When Principal G. W. Armstrong came to the school three years ago there were ten teachers. To-day there are sixteen.

Y. M. C. A. Notes.

The basket ball team played last night at Independence.

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The third game in the handball tournament was played last night.

The educational classes close their first term's work December 24. The spring term opens January 3. The noonday prayer service is again be-coming quite popular, is being well attend-ed and a good interest is being manifested. The Young Men's Congress meets to-night at 8 o'clock. All young men of the city in-terested in literary societies are invited to be present. The house will take up the Philippine question for debate.

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The religious work committee took luncheon Friday noon with the president, Mr. Heardsley. The committee was reorganized and plans laid for future work. Rev. Mr. F. Okazaki, of Japan, will speak at the men's meeting Sunday, December 18. The committee has secured Mr. A. W. Hawks, the humorous lecturer, who lectured in the Star lyceum course this week to speak at the men's meeting Sunday, December 25.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TO-DAY. Contex-Kellar, the magician, 2 and 8 p. m. Grand-"A Contented Woman," 2:30 and 8 p. m. Orphenm-Vaudeville, 2:15 and 8:15 p. m.

Unusual enthusiasm attended the Symorchestra's concert at the Grand opera house yesterday afternoon. The hearty manifestations of approval are easily accounted for. The programme, while sesentially high class in every respect, was rather lighter than the average, included several numbers most happily designed to meet popular sanction, was exceedingly well played throughout, and the soloist Mrs. Winntred Seripps-Ellis, of Detroit, proved herself a flacty equipped singer and thoroughly good artist.

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The adoption of low pitch had a per-ceptible and very agreeable effect. The instruments were more mellow, and while the improvement was not so apparent to the casual observer in the full orchestra-tions, it must have been evident to even the most indifferent listener in the string music.

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The programme opened with Weber's Euryanthe' overture, a composition thoroughly representative of this composer, as it embodies his masterful use of full orchestra as well as his singular of decertions well as his singular of decertions well as his singular of decertions of the best litustrations of Weber's poetic fancy. The orchestra played this number with fine appreciation, the shadings being graceful and expressive. The largo, which was played by eight violins, with tremolo accompaniment on the violas, was one of the most delicate and artistic interpretations yet given by the strings. The bright and fanciful genius of Delibes found peculiarly fitting expression in his ballet music from "Sylvia." The composition is so varied in character and so free the composer made something of a sensation among the orthoglox. Yet this music has retained undiminished the popularity which it at once achieved not only with the public but with the rank and file of orchestral interpreters. The beautiful valse lento was given with exquisite grace and rythm, and was so heartily applauded that Mr. Behr, for the first time, broke he no encore rule. The dainty pizzicato was faultiesely played, and the "Cortege data and modulation, according to the successive moods of this brilliant finale.

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Mr. Behr adopted a more conservative style of conducting yesterday. The change is an improvement. He has the orchestra sufficiently well in hand now to make his directions less demonstrative.

Mrs. Ellis sang a soulful arin from Bemberry's "Jeanne d'Arc." and before she had sung many bars she had won her audience. She is a full handsome woman.

#### Unsettled, Possibly Rain.

While the temperature remained very much the same yesterday as it was the day before, it was decidedly more disagree-





### Mme. Lillian Nordica

Offers valuable suggestions to vocal students in her article, "Incidents in a Singer's Life," which she will contribute to the December 22d issue of

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